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It has been represented to Government that judicial powers exercisable by the Police Patels under sections 14,15 and 16 of the Bombay Village Police Act, 1867 are sometimes misused resulting in hardship to the people concerned and that there is no need for Police Patels to exercise these powers in towns and villages in which other means of Judicial-aid have been provided for. Agreeing in this view, Government has decided to withdraw the judicial powers exercisable by Police Patels under sections 14,15 and 16 of the Bombay Village Police Act in towns and villages in which magisterial courts exist. The District Magistrates are therefore requested to issue instructions to all the Magistrates within their respective jurisdiction that they should not issue any commission to Police Patels of the towns and village in which a Magisterial Court exists under section 15(1) of the Bombay Village Police Act and should cancel forthwith in such towns and villages any commission that has already been issued. In regard to the withdrawal of powers conferred on Police Patels by section 14 of the Act, Government proposes to undertake necessary legislation.

By Order of the Governor of Bombay

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Secretary to the Government of Bombay
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